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SUBJECT: ENERGY: CUT IN LAN FUEL ALLOCATION IN MIAMI

1. CHILEAN NATIONAL AIRLINES DIRECTOR OF PLANNING RIOS TOLD EMBOFF FEBRUARY 28 THAT LAN HAD RECEIVED A 25 PERCENT CUT IN ITS FUEL ALLOCATION IN MIAMI FOR MARCH. HE SAID CUT WAS ANNOUNCED BY LAN'S SUPPLIER OF BONDED FUEL, CHEVRON, AT THE ORDER OF THE FEDERAL ENERGY OFFICE, ACCORDING TO CHEVRON OFFICIALS. RIOS SAID LAN WAS THUS REDUCED TO 240,000 GALLONS FOR THE MONTH, WHICH WOULD MEAN CANCELLATION OF SEVEN FLIGHTS. HE SAID LAN HAS BEEN ABLE TO OBTAIN 20,000 GALLONS OF NON-BONDED FUEL FROM GULF FOR ITS NON-SCHEDULED CARGO FLIGHTS, BUT NO OTHER SUPPLIES WERE IN SIGHT.

2. LAN OFFICIAL SAID HE WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY COMMUNICATING TO DEPARTMENT DEEP CONCERN OF CHILEAN OFFICIALS OVER PROBABLE CANCELLATION OF FLIGHTS. HE NOTED THAT ORDER FROM CHILEAN MINISTRY OF MINES HAS BEEN SIGNED WHICH REQUIRES RECIPROCAL FUEL CUTS IN CHILE FOR CARRIERS OF COUNTRIES WHICH CURTAIL FUEL SUPPLIES FOR CHILEAN CARRIERS. HE SAID GOC OFFICIALS

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AND LAN WERE RELUCTANT AT THIS TIME TO TAKE SUCH A STEP, IN

HOPE THAT SOMEHOW PROBLEM IN THE U.S. CAN BE AVOIDED.

3. LOCAL BRANIFF OFFICIALS ADVISED OF ABOVE. SHOULD USG
OFFICIALS WISH TO COMMUNICATE WITH LAN IN U.S., PERSON TO
CONTACT IS MR. CLAUDIO VALDERRAMA, LAN CHIEF OF U.S.
OPERATIONS, IN MIAMI.
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